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- 1. Met with Mr. J. Den Kerlin, Assistant Staff Director, Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee, to discuss certain provisions of S. 734, the pay raise bill. This is due for Goor consideration next Tuesday and he feels that it is certain to pass the Senate since the Postal rate has apparently been solved. Undoubtedly, in his view, the retreactive feature will be compromised with the House version which calls for an effective date of 1 July 1958 probably resulting in an effective date on the date of enactment. On section 12 which deals with prohibitions on appointments, he believes this provision will stay as protection against a Jensen-type rider but that in any event the President has the authority to determine any offices or positions which need filling.
- 2. Dr. Martin Sweig in the effice of Representative John W. McCormack called to thank us for the maps of France, Germany, Austria and Italy which were forwarded to the Congressman's office. However, he requested that the same maps be forwarded to the Congressman but in a smaller size.
- 3. The DCI accompanied by the Legislative Counsel met with Senator Henry Dwershak for almost an hour. The Senator, in my opinion, was very friendly and well disposed toward the DCL. In the first part of the conversation the Senator's questions dealt with foreign affairs generally. The Senater appeared to have fond recallections of his trip to Russia several years ago and expressed a desire to travel again. He seemed impressed by the events and persons who briefed him during his trip. He exhibited a picture taken showing the Senator shaking hands with Magsaysay of the Philippines. The conversation eventually turned to the building. The Jenater was somewhat surprised that we might have problems about fitting all of our people into the new building and was concerned with retention of people in the new location. The Director spake generally about our functions particularly in the processing and coordination field which involved utilizing material of all agencies and this particular picture appeared to be a complete surprise to the Senator. The Senator had mentioned the AEC problems with its



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employees and the Director assured him that in our view the Agency would not have the same types of problems in retention of personnel. I believe the interview went extremely well and the willingness of the Director to put the facts on the table and inform the Senator of all that the Senator wished to know or asked created an excellent impression and it is doubtful that the Senator will strike out against the Agency on the basis of lack of information in the future.

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